

07-21-03 61

AF/77!

Express Mail Label No.

Dated:

7/18/03

Docket No.: 2309/0H444US0
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED
JUL 23 2003
GROUP 1700

In re Patent Application of:
Toshiyuki Tanio, et al.

Application No.: 09/627,013/

Group Art Unit: 1771

Filed: July 27, 2000

Examiner: PRATT, Christopher C.

For: WATER-DECOMPOSABLE FIBROUS SHEET
OF HIGH RESISTANCE TO SURFACE
FRICTION, AND METHOD FOR
PRODUCING IT

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-3, 5 and 8-12, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.